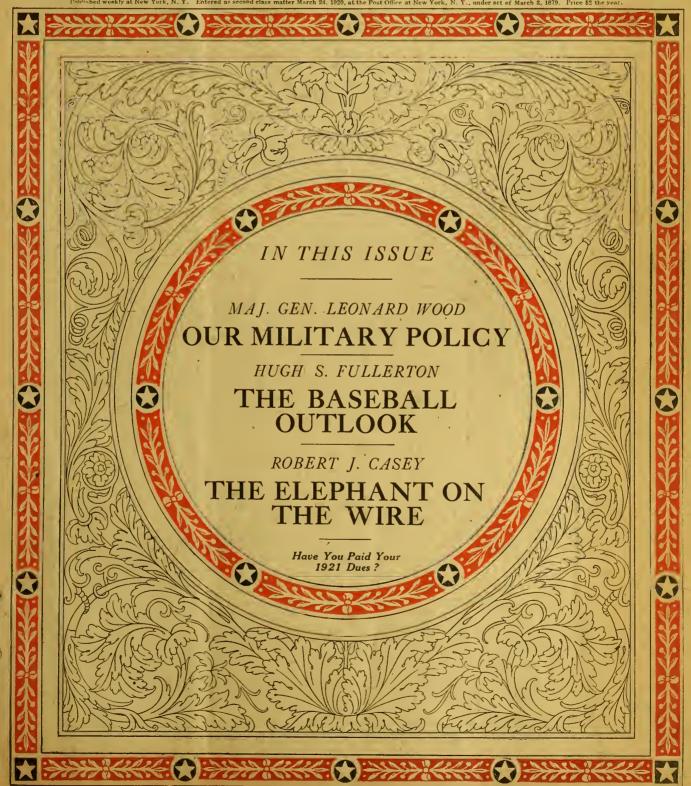
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#### \$876 in One Month

That's the record of C. A. Rowe of New York—and he gives only two or three hours a day to this work.

#### 6 Orders in a Bunch

"Enclosed find the result of first day's efforts. I did not know it was so simple. All 1 did was to release to men, with the result I got six orders."—
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#### No Trouble

"Enclosed find orders I took this evening. Had no trouble after I showed the samples. In fact two people sent for me to come and see them."—L. W. Roberts (N. Y.).

#### Without Experience

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#### This Is My Special Offer

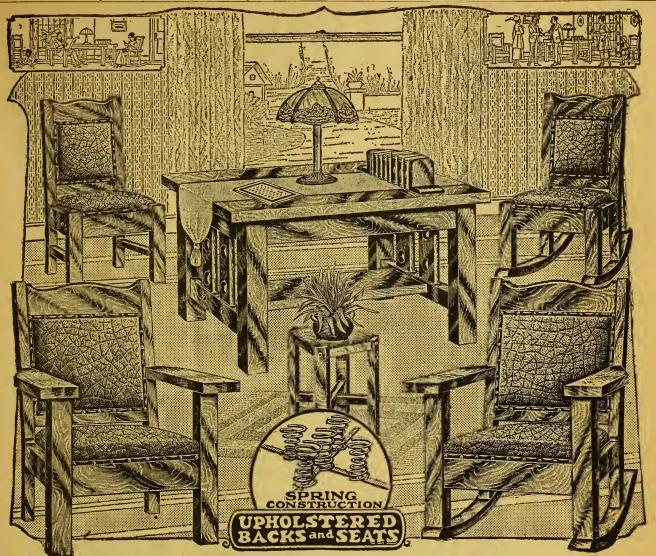
Now—the important thing is to get started. I know that you can make at least \$50 within one week of today, and have that \$50 in cash. I know that within a short time you can be making \$100 a week—every week. The important thing is to get started and get started quick. If you will fill out the coupon with your name and address, I will send you, without any preliminary correspondence and with absolutely no deposit whatever on your part, a complete selling outfit with full instructions, samples of raincoat materials, style book, order blanks and everything that you will need to make money. I will write you a letter that is so complete, clear and concise that after you read it you will know absolutely where to go, what to say and how to make the money.

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# The Elephant on the Wire

RIXIE, hitherto unadvertised pachydermic marvel, stepped upon the tight-rope. Briefly she poised there, three of her flat feet upon the tub-like stand across which the cable was strung, one upon the wire itself, as she picked up a peanut from the floor with mastodonic daintiness.

The circus men who watched were only mildly interested. Trixie's scheduled performance was one of those things which the showman takes as a matter of routine—a fortune if it succeeds, a failure forseen and discounted if it doesn't. A herd of elephants before Trixie had attempted to walk tightropes, ride bicycles and operate typewriters. And to date none had shown any proficiency.

Save for the jury politely waiting for

Trix to make her attempt and fail, the big shed was vacant. Outside, the melting icicles dripped into puddles in the soft snow, and unseen scrapers clanged on the slushy walks.

The sounds of spring reminded John Brantman, of the Great Brantman Shows, that the winter season was almost over, and that Trix was wasting time that might better be spent in preparations for the road. He looked at his watch. Trix reached for another

EC MASTERS, manager of the Brantman shows, gave vent to an impatient sniff.

"Looks like another of those things to me," he told the owner. "I don't think this bird Kelley knows the difference between a mastodon and a mastoid."

Brantman apathetically followed the wave of his hand toward where Tip Kelley, the trainer, was coaxing Trixie away from her peanuts with a hook.

"Shouldn't wonder," he agreed. "If he can make Trixie walk that rope like he's made her walk his line of talk he's

he's made her walk his line of talk he's a whirlwind." Then he lapsed into silence as he pondered over the prospect of signing a new clown and a

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Illustrations by WALLGREN

couple of tumblers to piece out his program. And then quite suddenly Trixie ceased to be temperamental.

She slid one immense foot ahead of the other with ponderous care—her trunk out ahead of her like a balancing staff, her ears flapping like nervous barn doors. She took ten steps to the end of the cable, turned around on the stand with an elephantine grace and walked back to her starting point. She was a picture of confident dignity.

The circus men pressed forward, scarcely believing their eyes. Kelley was escorting the marvelous Trixie down from her tub. There was defiant triumph in his smile. He had been it to effect to take this victory. jeered at too often to take this victory as a matter of course. A moment be-fore he would have been obsequious in speaking to the big boss. Now he was

openly hostile.
"Well," he inquired, "I told you I could do it, didn't I?"
"You certainly did, Kelley," replied Brantman placatingly. "That little runt wouldn't have been worth her hay in a menagerie. She didn't look four months ago as if anybody could train

her—and now. . . ."

"It means we clean up this year," supplied Masters with enthusiasm.

CIENTISTS have declared that balance is determined by a few drops of fluid that trickle around somewhere inside the ear drum. By what freak of nature Trixie had been given a couple of quarts of this precious compensator

when ordinary elephants are doomed to plod an unbalanced way with a pint —or is it two pints?—no one can say. But Trixie's ears and Kelley's eyes, which had observed her sure-footedness in walking a narrow plank, had thrust her into fame and placed her propri-etors upon the high road to affluence. The circus managers did not go into scientific explanations.

One attraction may not make a circus any more than one swallow makes a drink, but then not every attraction is a balancing elephant. Brantman and Masters had the show sensation of the year in their hands, and they knew it.

A few small time acrobats and some

custard-pie film clowns were hastily added to Trixie's support, and the show crawled out of its warm Wisconsin sheds and started southward for the opening of the season.

The rest of the show didn't amount to much. But no one worried about

THE show opened in Chicago. There had been a preliminary barrage of posters with a zone fire of newspaper comment, and the afternoon offensive carried Trixie into advanced positions on the first page. Six thousand spectators watched the patient pachyderm cavort on the cable, and came away doubting the evidence of their senses.

That night an extra platoon of police had to be called out to handle the

crowds.

Great as had been his expectations, Brantman could not believe his luck. For fifteen years he had been casting his fortunes into the sawdust ring.

Never had he seen a crowd that
matched this.

"We can retire in a couple of weeks
if the luck holds out," he told Masters.

"You might as well talk about retir-

ing a man with a thousand-barrel oil well," observed the manager. "Trixie will buy you limousines for many a day before they train another like her, you



He stared unbelievingly. Nabob, despite the loss of the balancer, was well out on the swinging cable

can bet your poker winnings on that." "They never will," said Brantman.

In half an hour the big tent had been packed to capacity and the work of the police outside had really begun. When not another person could force the ticket seller to accept his money, the "March of Victory," a moth-eaten pageant in which the razorbacks were poorly disguised as angels of peace, was started, and the crowd settled back to

watch the minor events of the show lead up to the overwhelming climax.

AT this juncture came Tip Kelley, very drunk and very much in-clined to be dissatisfied with his lot as Trixie's nursemaid.
"I want more money,"

he announced, with undeniable directness.

"You're getting a third of the rakeoff now," Brantman reminded him. "I ought to have more."

The showman looked at him steadily, opening and closing his fingers long-

ingly.
"You seem to forget,
Kelley," he said with a
chilly calm, "that Trix is my elephant, that this show's mine, and that your only investment is the time you were paid to put in last winter training the beast. You're getting a fair split, and I don't want to hear anything more from you about it."

The trainer was not too drunk to know that he had come upon dangerous

ground in his negotia-tions with Brantman. He cursed a bit and slid through the opening between the big tent and the menagerie, leaving the veteran exhibitor a prey to emotions midway between apoplexy and homicidal mania.

When the time came for Trix to begin her performance, Kelley had not reappeared. But whatever might be Brant-man's criticism of him, it could not be denied that he had done his work well. Trix, led by a substitute trainer, walked into the arena without a sign of temperament, climbed the inverted tub and began her precarious march on the cable. Brantman breathed more freely.

Trixie took her signal for a bow with becoming modesty, blinked coyly at the applauding thousands whose enthusiasm insured her future success, and trotted ponderously out of the ring toward a spot where she knew a bale of delectable hay would be waiting.

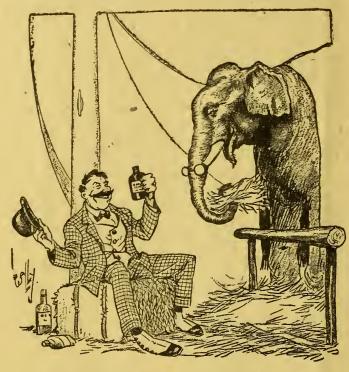
The show rolled on to an apathetic

BRANTMAN dispatched a crew of men, who by training and instinct should have known where to find the vanished Kelley, to bring him back. They returned before the Twelve Tumbling Tartars had finished their "defi-ance of gravity"—and there was plenty of it in the faces of the bored specta-tors—in the "unparalleled pyramid act" that closed the main show.

As the after-show with its song, dance and trained pup program dragged

through its schedule, the search was re-

The unknown groggery that housed the trainer proved an effective refuge. Brantman and Masters saw Trix escorted to her car and walked back to the lot a bit uneasy. Trix did not seem to be mourning for her late mentor and playmate-but there was no way of telling about elephants or elephant men. Then came the explosion.



Every time the elephant took a bite of hay, Gilvers took a drink

It was a blast that rocked the lake front and mingled its echoes for several seconds afterward with the tinkle of falling window glass. The noise came from a corner of the grounds away from the siding upon which the circus train was waiting. Brantman breathed a sigh of relief as he rushed toward the spot where belated pedestrians and inquisitive circus men were mingling in a sizeable crowd.

The circumstances of the explosion gave him added cause for comfort. There was a gaping hole in the earth a crater where once had been a bit of

a side street.

"Man-hole explosion," he diagnosed, and walked serenely back to the lot. There could be nothing personal about a man-hole explosion.

Ten minutes later he was not so certain. A breathless animal man came running across the space where the big top had stood, calling excitedly for

Brantman.

"It's Trix!" the man gasped as he stopped before the chief. "It's Trix—she's gone!"

"Gonc?" repeated Brantman, shocked, but only half credulous. "Where's she

"I don't know," moaned the trainer.
"I rushed out of the car when I heard
the noise. When I came back she was
lost"

"Hokum," observed the practical-minded showman. "A man who could lose an elephant in Chicago could hide

the Washington monument in Podunk. Shake a leg and look for her.

HE wasted no more time scolding the underling whom curiosity had lured from his post. Here was catastrophe and he knew it. He dashed toward the railroad sounding the "hey Rube," the battle cry of the circus, as he went. In two minutes the news had spread, and fifty razorbacks were on the trail of the vanished

Trix.

But she was gonegone as completely as the man who had taught her the art of balancing on a steel cable and, Brantman strongly suspected, probably for the same reason.

It seemed impossible that she could have been

taken from her box car and marched away through the city streets without attracting some-one's attention—but it was late at night, dark, and the impossible had happened.

Along toward morning the tired circus crew picked up the trail—a footprint or two in some soft mud on the edge of a road leading toward the breakwater. They fol-lowed to the water's edge and admitted the obvious.

"Might drag the lake for her," suggested Mas-ters dolefully. But Brant-man didn't think much of the suggestion. There are few commercial possibilities in a drowned elephant.

He hung on tenaciously to a forlorn hope, cancelled

date after date as his circus train stood on the siding where it had been loaded on the fateful night of the explosion, and he spent every penny he could borrow on his equipment to prosecute the search. It was of no use. It is difficult to lose an elephant, but once you have lost one it stays lost.

BRANTMAN, a broken man, was on the point of cancelling all the season's bookings in one lump and going to look for the nearest bankruptcy court when he received a telegram from Jimmy Gilvers, an elephant man of Cleveland. The showman read it, sat down suddenly, re-read it, and called for Masters in a voice that he did not recognize as his own.

Masters cast an interested eye over the yellow sheet and was seized with a

similar emotion.

It was unbelievable. Yet both men were powerless to doubt it. They did not dare to doubt it. It was their sal-

"I know this Gilvers chump," said Masters. "He's a grafter who'd throw Masters. "He's a grafter who'd throw rocks at his poor old granny's funeral for a dime. And he knows as much about bulls as an iceman knows about eyes. But I'd just as soon deny that I need a drink as argue about it."

Once more he read the telegram:
"Hear you lost your elephant.
Would it interest you to know that I
have a mechanical device to keep an (Continued on page 20)

# What Shall Be Our Military Policy?

General Wood Outlines His Views of How Best to Meet the Problem of National Defense

THE United States does not want the largest army in the world, but it must have the best-the best trained and the most

efficient, an army whose discipline is based not only upon a sense of duty and respect for authority but upon re-spect for the officers and confidence in them, an army led by officers who have at heart always the best interests of their men.

Such an army must be large enough for the police needs of the nation in time of peace. This means furnishing a training force for our citizen soldiers and garrisons at home and abroad. It includes adequate garrisons for the Philippines, where we are doing a great piece of nation-building; a garrison at Oahu, strong enough to insure the secure holding of this most important outpost, with its naval base. It is one of the most essential defenses of the Pacific Coast. Nothing must be left to chance here. With this in our possession, no enemy will pass it to attack the Pacific

We must securely hold the Panama Canal. We must have an adequate garrison for our coast defenses, which must always be in a state of instant readiness to meet sea attack. War is initiated to meet sea attack.

THE editors have invited several nationally known authorities

to present their views on the question of American military policy. Other, expressions of opinion will appear in later issues

often by an act of war rather than by formal declaration of war.

In addition we must have an army of sufficient strength to maintain a number of peace-strength divisions and the necessary skeleton, or nuclear division groups, to maintain our present corps area system. The peace-strength divisions should be sufficient in number and so located as to make them available as an expeditionary force. It would seem that one cavalry division and three infantry divisions should be the minimum peace organization.

To meet these demands, plus demands for army troops and special troops, staff corps, etc., we require about 175,000 men. If the army is cut to 156,000, then we have got to do it with this number, this is a second of the control of the ber-this is a question for the Congress to decide—which will mean reductions all along the line.

We have adopted in general a sound organization. We must hold on to it. The entire country By MAJ. GEN. LEONARD WOOD has been divided into nine corps areas, each of which has one Regular division or a skeleton of one, two National Guard divisions and, ultimately, three Reserve divisions, or a total of 54 divisions for our nine corps areas. In the corps areas are also certain army and staff troops.

THE National Guard is now part of the first line defense. Every effort must be made to make it a thoroughly

effective fighting force.

The Reserve divisions will be made up very largely of men who have had training during the World War. They will be maintained in time of peace as skeleton organizations, capable of rapid expansion. Officers and non-commissioned officers will be provided through citizens' training camps, open to men from all walks of life, R, O. T. C. units and the upper schools and universities, especially to men who have served in the Army, Navy, Marines or National Guard.

The maintenance of a highly efficient and ample reserve corps of officers is one of the most important features of (Continued on page 22)

# Seeing Tours Without a Salute

RX-MEMBERS of the A. E. F. who remember Tours, city of perpetual salutes—and to have been there is to remember it—can imagine what a grand and gal-lorious feeling it gave me recently to saunter down the broad and treeful Avenue de Grammont without once undergoing the torture of the inevitable wartime highboy.

Many a Yank deserves to wear a wound-stripe won on this immortal battlefield, for its 1918 history tells an eloquent story of the durability of the human arm. Today there is only one strictly American Sam Browne belt in all Tours. It decorates the chest of a second looey with the Graves Registra-tion Service. I got a real thrill out of passing this lone survivor of an ancient era without according him due military courtesy.

Tours bravely bears the loss of the old franc-squandering horde. There are still soldiers aplenty thereabouts, but their pay-scale is not a dollar a day up. The old 66 barracks are filled with recruits of the 1920 class; poilus in the making crowd the sidewalks, but the golden days of the shopkeepers are over. How can you expect to sell vin rouge to a man when it's issue stuff?

These 1920 rookies are the cause of rese 1920 rookies are the cause of yet another sorrow to the worthy Toursian—or, as he calls himself, Tourangeau. Having spent the years 1918 and 1919 learning the English language as spoken from Maine to Puget Sound, he probably thought that by this year of 1921 at least they would let him revert

By GEORGE F. KEARNEY

to his own language-which, authorities say, he speaks better than any French-

But it is not to be. For the rookies of '20 are Alsatians, and speak a guttural, thick mixture of French and German that is as far removed from honest French as pidgin English is from the

Still, even though this new army lacks the wherewithal for riotous nights at the Café de la Ville on the familiar old Rue Nationale, the keepers of this and other erstwhile O. D. haunts manage to survive.

The American visitor naturally rushes up to the 66 barracks, to find evidence of the Yankee occupation. They dence of the Yankee occupation. the left up the old signs: "This way to the garage," and it will doubtless shock the Y. M. C. A. to learn that the old Y hut in the big yard is now a buvette for the poilu. I cannot imagine them for the poilu. I cannot imagine them serving hot chocolate there at fifty centimes, for the bottles which I saw being loaded obviously contained some other liquid.

The old offices where generals and less held forth are now crowded with army cots where the new poilus spend, it seems, both day and night in gentle There is none of the old spirit of hustle about 66 nowadays.

They have taken down most of the barrack huts that America built. With evident scorn they have dismantled the old shower bath buildings. The French soldiers are firm in the opinion that the Americans are a dirty and perspiring nation, due to their inordinate bustle. and they feel very sorry for the poor Yankee soldier who was forced to take so many baths.

The American occupation of Tours' ught the town many things. The imtaught the town many things. The impatience of the soldier in the shops patience of the soldier in the shops forced the successful shopkeeper to hustle the sales process. Today one buys stuff in Tours on the "toot sweet" principle. The Americans also bequeathed a splendid telegraph system to the city of Tours, and the natives will never get done talking about the rapidity with which the A. E. F. connected up all France with Headquarters S. O. S. up all France with Headquarters S. O. S. The merchants of Tours are keen for American trucks, and one sees plenty of American motor cars in the streets.

"It was a marvelous organization," a man in a café explained, "and you certainly sent your best officers here. A general was a common sight on the streets, and a colonel passed by un-noticed. You Americans were certainly less restrained in granting high ranks to your officers than the French or the English. We always marveled at the number of generals you had here at Tours, and we also marveled at the number of-what do you call them-let me see, I forget—the English call them field marshals—but you called them, et-bien alors, field clerks. It was an odd army from America with so many of these high ranking field clerks."



# THE LEGION IN REVIEW

#### ADDITIONS TO ROLL OF BONUS-PAYING STATES IN PROSPECT

A S the 1921 sessions of most of the State A S the 1921 sessions of most of the State Legislatures near adjournment, it seems certain that the ranks of the bonus-paying States, now comprising one-fourth of the country, will have some additions. Michigan voted on the question by referendum on April 4, the election following so close on the passage of the bill by the Legislature that the ex-service men's campaign to make votes for the bill had to be rapid, and legislative action already taken insures that the people of at least five other States will say at the polls whether state

sures that the people of at least five other States will say at the polls whether state bonuses shall be paid.

The people of Oregon will vote on June 7, in a special election, on the question of paying a cash bonus at the rate of \$15 for each month of service or granting loans of not to exceed \$3,000 for the purpose of acquiring a farm or city home. The Oregon proposal is unique in specifying that in case of the passage by Congress of the national adjusted compensation bill, no

gon proposal is unique in specifying that in case of the passage by Congress of the national adjusted compensation bill, no Oregon man who accepts Federal cash compensation may obtain cash from the State also, although he might still take advantage of the state loan.

Ohio voters will pass on legislation stipulating payment of a bonus at the rate of \$10 for each month of service, with a maximum of \$250, at the general election next November. Iowa, Kansas and Montana voters will have to wait until November, 1922, to record their wishes at the polls. The Iowa proposal is for payment at the rate of fifty cents for each day of service with a maximum of \$350. The bill, as submitted by the Legislature, would provide payment for men who served any length of time and would include all commissioned officers, thus differing from the compensation laws of most other States. The Kansas measure would authorize payment of \$1 for each day in service, the Montana bill, \$10 a month, maximum \$200. The Legislatures of several other States; thow seems probable, will authorize refersite new seems probable, will authorize refersions.

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endum elections to determine whether compensation shall be paid veterans. In Illinois the pending bill would refer the bonus proposal to the people in November, 1922. The proposal is for the payment of \$15 a month, with a maximum of \$300. The American Legion in Illinois has rejected The American Legion in Illinois has rejected attempted amendments which would have made the cash awards \$30 a month, regarding this proposed increase as a trap that would lead to rejection of the bill at the polls. In other States where bonus campaigns have been under way, proponents of the measures have had to be wary of similar attempts to kill by kindness the chances of the bills. In most States, \$10 or \$15 for each month has been regarded as a fair compensation, and wherever efforts have been made to specify larger amounts, the wisdom of the attempts has been dubious and the motives of the sponsors questionable.

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The Missouri Legislature is considering a bill to submit a state bonus proposal to the voters at a special election in August. The bill would provide \$10 for each month of service, with a maximum of \$250. Other States in which Legislatures have been con-idering beaugh hills are West Virginia \$10 sidering bonus bills are: West Virginia, \$10

sidering bonus bills are: West Virginia, \$10 a month for all veterans, state awards to disabled men equal to 50 percent of compensation received from Government; Tennessee, \$10 a month, maximum \$100; Colorado, \$15 a month; Nebraska, \$15 a month. The American Legion in Nebraska has been concentrating most of its efforts to obtain the passage of a bill appropriating \$2,000,000 as an endowment fund to be used for the purchase of Liberty Bonds from which \$80,000 in interest would be obtained annually and spent for the relief of sick and needy veterans.

The Pennsylvania situation has been complicated by the fact that several bonus bills were introduced, the one backed by The American Legion providing \$10 for each month of service with a maximum of

\$250. Predictions have been made that only disabled men will be included in the benefits of any Pennsylvania bill that is passed, and it seems that the advocates of compensation will not gain an easy victory. The bonus bill would be submitted to a vote of the people, should the Legislature pages it

State bonus bills were killed or quietly buried alive in Legisatures of several States during the recent sessions. In Oklahoma, during the recent sessions. In Oklahoma, the Department of The American Legion opposed the State bonus proposal, fearing that it might prevent realization of the Legion's plan to have the state construct a \$2,000,000 hospital for veterans. The Legislature not only rejected the bonus bill, but also failed to pass the hospital bill. The proposed Oklahoma bonus called for payment of \$1 for each day of service. In Indiana the bonus bill died in the Senate Finance Committee after passing the House of Representatives by a vote of 79 to 14. After passing the Delaware

Senate Finance Committee after passing the House of Representatives by a vote of 79 to 14. After passing the Delaware House of Representatives, a bonus bill carrying \$10 for each month of service and a maximum of \$250 failed to pass the Senate before adjournment. The Texas state bonus bill, calling for payments at the rate of \$1 for each day of service, also died on the calendar. It may be revived at a special legislative session in July.

In Florida discussions have been aroused by a proposal that the Legislature be asked

by a proposal that the Legislature be asked to pass a bonus bill with the provision that men not wishing to accept cash for themselves might designate that the payments to which they would be entitled go toward a fund for a state memorial building.

#### THE SUITORS OF SALLY

SALLY, the otherwise unidentified young lady who wrote to the Mid-West Veteran, official publication of the Department of Nebraska, outlining her requisites for a husband, and whose letter was printed in a recent issue of The American Legion Weekly, seems to have started something. A number of letters have been received by The American Legion Weekly since Sally called for a he-man person with a "great, deep voice" who "swears when necessary, stays out late and isn't afraid to

"great, deep voice" who "swears when necessary, stays out late and isn't afraid to chew tobacco."

"I stay out to lodge four nights a week and go to the movies two nights and on Sunday I go to church and do not swear," writes one correspondent. "I am a West

#### THE LEGION'S PROGRAMME IN CONGRESS

THE Congress now in session has been called primarily to consider legislation pertaining to the fiscal obligations of the Government. It is for the Congress to determine what those obligations are and what means shall be taken for their fulfillment.

In the national legislative programme of The American Legion there are two items which fall in this category. These are relief of the disabled and adjusted compensation. The Legion will press these two issues

scparately, each on its merits and in the order named. Prior to the First National Convention at Minneapolis in 1919, when the Legion was in a state of temporary organization, it accepted, as its first obligation, leader-ship of the fight for the relicf of the disabled, whose neglect already had become apparent. At Minneapolis this course became official by mandate of the Conven-This stand was reaffirmed at Cleveland last year.

Since the Cleveland Convention the Legion has made the disabled question a national issue. It has revealed shocking conditions of mismanagement and neglect and has brought forward measures of remedy which have the endorsement of the agencies charged with caring for the disabled. With the people of the United States aroused and the national administration sympathetic, I hope and expect this programme will be speedily enacted

into law by the Sixty-seventh Congress.

When this is done the Legion will advance actively its measure for an adjustment of compensation to all who served in an effort to strike an economic balance between those who went to war and those who did not. The American Legion has never receded from its original stand on the matter of compensation. It holds that an adjustment of compensation along the lines of the five-fold optional bill is just and simply represents fair play to those who have played fair with their country. And in this stand the Legion knows it has the endorsement of the people. The Fordney bill has passed the House of Representatives and was reported favorably by the Senate Finance Committee. In every State where the matter of adjusted compensation has been left to decision by popular vote the result has been an overwhelming endorsement of the stand of The American Legion.

F. W. GALBRAITH, JR.



Virginia snake and I will fight if nothing else will do. I do not fear man, devil or beast."

"I cannot stay out late at night or chew tobacco successfully but I can smoke," ad-mits a Wisconsin veteran who expresses the fear that this will debar him from qualifying. "I had a great, deep voice but lost it trying to hire farm help in 1920."

A Texas correspondent turns to verse to put forward his idea of the man Sally

Ants:

He should be broad and thick and long With a voice for a curse or a song, A sergeant of the line,

A gob of the deep sea brine,

A handsome cook or a shavetail loot Or a fightin' bold marine.

And if he's a hard-boiled hombre That'll fight till the cows come home Why, then, he's the guy for Sally And to him we'll bare our dome.

#### HE'S GLAD HE BELONGS

C. H. ELLIS, one of the organizers of Astoria (L. I.) Post, is convinced that membership in The American Legion is a paying investment. Ellis, who is a merchant sailor, recently lost his wallet, containing \$500 in cash, while on shore leave from his ship in Stockholm. Disheartened, he returned to his ship without hope of over seeing the money again. Inst. here ened, he returned to his ship without hope of ever seeing the money again. Just before sailing time, however, an anxious Swede came aboard and delivered the wallet with the money intact to its owner, whom he had located by means of Ellis's membership card in Astoria Post. "I could pay my dues in the Legion for a hundred years and still be money ahead," said Ellis.

#### **MEMBERSHIP** MINUTES

A S one instance of the thoroughness with which the Louisiana posts are entering into the Department's campaign for recruits, Henry Robertson Post of Lockport has organized its membership drive in three waves. The first wave consisted of getting a list of all ex-service men in the vicinity and mailing to each a mimeographed letter explaining the ideals and purpose of the Legion. For the second wave, meetings were arranged at which purpose of the Legion. For the second wave, meetings were arranged at which three members of the post spoke while others circulated in the crowd with application blanks. The third wave was the appointment of committees who called personally on every ex-service man in districts mapped out for them.

Gus E. Warden Post of Endeavor, Pa., believes in living up to the name of its town. The Post went over the top last month with a paid-up membership larger than that of 1920.

Osage County Post of Lyndon, Kans., while touring two counties with its show, recruited members for the Legion and established posts of the Legion and Auxiliary units in towns that lacked them.

"Have enrolled many more members in the city than last year and now we are going out after 100 farmer boys living near here."—Salina.

"We are out after 1500 new members and ave already enrolled 800 of them."—

have already enrolled 800 of them."—Kansas City.
"Ship at once by express 500 membership application blanks."—El Dorado.
Those are straws that showed the way the wind was blowing in the first few days of the membership drive of the Department of Kansas. Christopher L. Stockwell Post of Stafford challenged Robert Roy Brown Post of Kingman and Arden H. McKee Post of Sterling to a recruit-getting contest to lend impetus to the drive.

With an increase of 493 percent, Robert E. Kennington Post of Indianapolis won the \$50 cash prize offered to the post mak-

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ing the greatest gain in membership during the membership drive of Marion County, Indiana. Every member of the post brought in an average of practically five

A member of George H. Eick Post of Octono Falls, Wis., who is the owner of a garage, lends a car free to the post membership scouts as they dash about the countryside. The post pays for the gas.

"My first duty is to the Legion," was the comment of A. L. Moore, commander of Lee C. Prentice Post of Fairmont, Minn., upon declining to run for public office. Commander Moore at the time was, busy seeing that the post increased its membership, which now runs well above its 1920 total.

#### DON'T ENDORSE CANDIDATES

THE bulletin issued by National Head-quarters requesting members of the Legion to refrain from recommending or endorsing candidates for offices with the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, the United Public Health Service and the Federal Board for Vocational Training, is in line with the organization's stand of strict neu-trality in political matters.

trality in political matters.
Legionnaires who individually endorse a Legionnaires who individually endorse a candidate for any of the offices specified, it is pointed out by National Headquarters, lend color to the inference that their endorsement is made in the name of the Legion. Should the petition of individual Legionnaires result in the appointment of their candidate the Legion would not be free to offer constructive criticism of that official's work, and constructive criticism official's work, and constructive criticism is the Legion's greatest weapon in combatting inefficiency in government bureaus,

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Attention is also called to the fact that the Legion would be seriously hampered in its work for the benefit of the disabled man should an appointee with Legion backfail to make good.

ing fail to make good.

#### Who Wouldn't Bring One?

"How did our post adjutant get the boys to bring all those bricks down for the new fire-place?"

"He sent out cards announcing that a profiteer would speak on 'How to Make Millions Out of a War.'"

#### DEPARTMENT CONVENTIONS

WITH the holding of the convention of VV the Department of Alaska at Valdez on April 12 the schedule of department con-

on April 12 the schedule of department conventions for 1921 got under way.

Departments which have announced the place and date of their 1921 conventions are Alabama, Florence, June 10, 11; Arizona, Prescott, Aug. 8; Florida, Orlando, May 16, 17; Iowa, Spirit Lake, Sept. 1, 2, 3; Kansas, Hutchinson, Aug. 22, 23, 24; Kentucky, Lexington, Sept. 2, 3; Maryland, Ocean City, Sept. 12, 13; Michigan, Kalamazoo, Sept. 6, 7; Minnesota, Winona, Aug. 1, 2, 3; Montana, Lewistown, June 27, 28; Nebraska, Fremont, Sept. 29, 30, Oct. 1; New Mexico, Silver City, Sept. 22, 23, 24; New York, Jamestown, Sept. 30, Oct. 1; Oregon, Eugene, July 1, 2; South Dakota, Rapid City, Aug. 23-26; Tennessee, Chattanooga, July 8, 9; Utah, Provo, June 10, 11; Virginia, Norfolk, Sept. 1, 2, 3; Washington, Hoquiam, July 14, 15, 16; Wisconsin, Eau Clair, June 28, 29, 30.

Other departments which have announced conventions with the exact date as yet un-

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decided are Colorado, Glenwood Springs, oct.; Louisiana, Bogalusa, early September; Nevada, Gardnerville, July; New Hamp-shire, Weirs, last week in August; New Jersey, Asbury Park, September; Okla-homa, Enid, last week in September or first week in October; Pennsylvania, Pittsburg, between Sept. 15 and 30.

#### BEAUCOUP SOUVENIRS

NO doughboy outfit homeward-bound ever NO doughboy outfit homeward-bound ever packed such a load of souvenirs as was donated recently to the city of Paducah, Ky., by McCracken County Post, whose gift of war relics weighed nineteen tons, about the burden carried by two infantry companies under full field equipment. The trophies were a 4.72 coast defense gun weighing 20,000 pounds and a six-inch naval gun weighing 18,000 pounds. McCracken County Post has \$400 in its fund for the relief of destitute Legionnaires, and the Citizens' Committee of Paducah has turned over \$800 for the post's use. Although Paducah ranks fifth in size among the cities of Kentucky it is second in Legion membership. The post has bought from the War Department a caisson and limber for funerals.

#### NO FUNDS FOR MARKERS

PLANS formulated by many Legion de-partments to place official government headstones at the graves of veterans on Memorial Day are being abandoned with Memorial Day are being abandoned with keen disappointment on account of the inability of Washington to provide the Legion with the markers. The disappointment borders on indignation in practically all the departments affected on account of the

departments affected on account of the elaborateness of the ceremonies planned to accompany the placing of the headstones.

Because the Congressional appropriation for tombstones for the fiscal year has been exhausted, thousands of applications for the headstones are accumulating dust in the files of the Cemeterial Branch of the Quar-termaster General's Office at Washington. Congress appropriated \$100,000 for the purpose, upon the basis of which orders were placed for 2,000 marble headstones after the design recommended by the National

the design recommended by the National Fine Arts Commission.

The 2,000 headstones are all for which orders can be placed until Congress appropriates more money. They are expected to be available to be set up, either as a whole or in part, in time for Memorial Day. They will barely be sufficient to mark the graves of the World War dead in National Cemeteries, as 1,400 of them must go to Arlington and 300 more to other national cemeteries. This leaves only 300 with which to meet the thousands of applications which have been made. have been made.

Under the law as it stands, the next of kin of any service man who died during the war or any ex-service man who died during the war or any ex-service man who has died since the end of the war may apply to the Government for one of the official markers.

The fact that the new government tombstone is larger than the old one, that it is

stone is larger than the old one, that it is of white marble of a very fine quality, and that it has been studied out carefully in all its details by the best artists who could be had, has made it appear extremely desirable to the relatives of military dead. In addition to all this, many relatives of the dead have felt and expressed the wish for the government stones because they approve the idea of the one common symbol for the one common service and sacrifice

The special session of the Sixty-seventh Congress now in session will be asked not to wait until after the expiration of the fiscal year but to make a deficiency appropriation of sufficient size to permit tomb-

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# Big League Ball Comes Back

By HUGH S. FULLERTON

The Outlook for a Season in Which the Real Victory
Must Be the Game's Own Vindication

B ASEBALL starts the season of 1921 facing the final test of its worth as a business. Upon the action of the club owners in the first months of the struggle depends the standing of the organized brand of baseball. Unless the efforts of Judge Landis to clean the game and keep it clean meet with the fullest support from the owners of the clubs, the suspicion and distrust which has come upon the business since the scandal of the 1919 World Series will increase. The sport itself is not yet harmed. There is a lack of interest in the major

The sport itself is not yet harmed. There is a lack of interest in the major league races this spring, a reaction from the high tension of a year ago, which is due, in part, to the bickerings and failures of the owners to make good their great promises of clearing the reputation of the sport and in part to the fact that the country is going

back to work.

I find a tremendous amount of cynical suspicion of the good intentions of the club owners and officials which is not entirely justified. The efforts of some of the club owners to defend players who have fallen under suspicion is natural, and in the majority of cases the owners are entirely honest. They do not believe the players were guilty of wrongdoing and quite naturally defend them. Besides, a modern ball player is a valuable asset to a club, and managers especially object to losing valuable players when that loss might wreck the championship chances of the team.

HOWEVER, Judge Landis has not met with the slightest symptom of opposition, at least not open, and organized baseball is behind him in every move he has made. He is proceeding with extreme caution and taking no action until satisfied of the guilt of players. His quick expulsion of Gene Paulette, whose name was whispered in connection with the most notorious St. Louis crooks, came without warning. I happen to know that Judge Landis has under investigation at least three more cases, but they will not be mentioned unless he discovers that the men are guilty.

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These conditions naturally make doping a precarious business, considering the fact that some team may be wrecked by losses of players without warning, as the lowly Phils already have been hurt by the loss of Paulette. However, I believe that the great majority of players concerned in the crooked gambling plots of the last three years have been dropped already, and that those who remain do not amount to much as players and, even if expelled, would have small effect upon the team strengths.

The other element which has affected the early season strength and prospects of the major teams is the holding out of so many players. The majority have now reported to their teams, but there still remain at this

writing nine men of considerable importance who have not joined their clubs, and some who perhaps will not join at all.' The trouble in the majority of cases is money—but in the cases of Larry Gardner and Milton Stock other elements enter in which make the cases hard to settle.

In spite of the rather unsettled conditions, the grandoldope works out fairly well and reveals the fact that the quality of baseball in the major leagues, which has been low for a number of years, is improving. There are nine teams of the sixteen which undoubtedly will show improvement. The old clubs that have been holding on to veterans have awakened and learned the necessity of rebuilding teams from the ground up with new talent. The temptation to keep tried veterans after their period of usefulness is past is great, but no team ever won a championship in that manner. The manager who will be satisfied with fourth or fifth place can pick up a team of veterans who will play steadily, but his team will not be a pennant factor. Chicago's Cubs and White Sox, the Boston Braves and the Athletics are examples of clubs being remade.

I HAVE just finished doping the major league teams for 1921, and the system works out remarkably well. The dope shows that the American League race will be between Cleveland and the New York Yankees all the way, with the chances slightly favoring Cleveland, provided Duster Mails pitches within twenty-five percent as well as he did after he joined the Indians last season. The weakness of Speaker's club has been lack of strong left-handed pitching, and the discovery of Mails at the critical stage of the season last fall saved the championship. Had Mails been with the Indians all last season, Speaker's tribe in all probability would have won the pennant by twenty games, but with the increased strength of the Yankees, pointed to beat Cleveland especially, no such margin can be expected this season.

The figures show the Yankees a tremendously powerful attacking club but slow on the bases—one which must score runs by sheer hitting power and prevent scoring against them by pitching rather than by speed in defensive work. Much depends, too, upon the adroitness with which Huggins handles his team. It is a club that may be made or ruined by the manager, and in the past Huggins has not shone as a leader of mcn. The assistance he will receive from Barrow, however, will prove of much value and relieve him from trying responsibilities.

The only other club in the American League which looks threatening is the St. Louis Browns, undoubtedly the dark horse of the race. The Browns have speed and hitting power, and it looks as if they had at last rounded up a

pitching staff. The trouble with the Browns in the past has been lack of consistent pitching. Their first string pitchers are fitted strongly to beat both New York and Cleveland, Shocker especially being extremely effective against the Yankees. The club that can beat the contenders in a race is always dangerous.

The big surprise in the dope is the amount of strength Connie Mack has gathered around him. The Athletics have been a joke club for half a dozen years while Mack has failed steadily in his effort to rebuild a championship machine. He now has the elements of a real ball club, and his team will show more hustle and speed than any in the

circuit.

I did not realize, until I came to study the dope of last season, that the Athletics suffered so much from injuries and illness. Being a tail end club few paid attention to the mishaps, but had the team been intact all last season it probably would have won at least fifteen more games than it did, and would have beaten one or two clubs out. This season the team has more punch and attacking power, and will have improved pitching. Mack is on his way to another pennant within a few seasons. He has rebuilt from the ground up.

THE strength of Washington is much greater than it has been, in spite of the fact that the pitching department appears to be fading out steadily. The attacking strength is greater; it has more consistent defense and is fairly well balanced.

Chicago and Boston, of course, look weak. The White Sox were wrecked entirely by the scandal of 1919, and Gleason was compelled to rebuild around the remnants of the old team. Naturally the club is spotty and uncertain, but Boston is quite as bad, in addition to which the Red Sox are disorganized to a considerable extent and show few symptoms of coming back. The team suffered more than others from holdouts this spring, and Duffy has not had a fair chance to build the club.

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The latest move of the owners in dividing the managerial responsibility between Duffy and Jimmy Burke is a new experiment in baseball and one of doubtful worth. I think Duffy and Burke will work well together and divide the duties, but it has been the theory in baseball that it is necessary for one man to rule a club, and that any division of authority weakens the morale. However, Boston already is badly shot to pieces, so another experiment will not count much.

THE National League race dopes to be a fierce one between the Giants, the Pirates and the Cardinals, with Brooklyn in the race all the way. Brooklyn does not appear to be the team this year it was last. The spirit and fire that turned it into a pennant winner instead of a third-place club has ebbed, and Robinson will be fortunate to keep the team moving and fighting this season. The team leads rather easily in pitching strength, but the Giants appear to have more consistent strength all around and much stronger attack, and should win the championship rather handily unless the pitching staff crumples as it has done in past years.

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The Giants' pitching corps does not

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### ON RECONNAISSANCE WITH A LEGION CAMERA

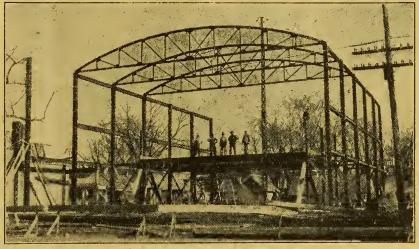




A BIG barrage used to sound a good deal like a couple of thousand bowling alleys going strong, and the pln experts above may now and then be reminded of Belleau Wood when the balls go thundering down for a strike. They form the bowling club of William II. Cooper Post of Rochester, N. Y., which is made up entirely of one-time Marines.



THE celluloid machine gun below is manned by a crew who saw considerable of the real thing in action overseas. They are wounded war veterans learning to take motion pictures at the Famous Players-Lasky studios at Hollywood, Cal., under auspices of the Federal Board for Vocational Education.



THE clang of girders falling into place and the clatter of riveters bear daily witness to the success of Ralph Greer Post of Rock Port, Mo., in inaugurating a campaign for a \$100,000 memorial to the service men of Atchison County. The memorial, seen here in the course of construction, will contain a gymnasium, an auditorium and a library. Bronze tablets will carry the names of all men of the county who were in the service. Rock Port's population is about 1,200.

THE pipe of peace today is passed
around among the
Sioux Indians by thelr
pale face chief, A. B.
Welch of Mandan, N.
D., who is a full-fledged
member of the tribe by
adoption and also commander of Gilbert S.
Furness Post of the
Legion. His regalla for
pow-wows is a trifle
more picturesque than
the civvies he wears at
Legion meetings.



WHITE headdresses similar to those of the Red Cross but with a blue star for an emblem are worn by members of the Women's Auxiliary of Orlando (Fla.) Memorial Post. The canteen workers below suggest other Auxiliary units adopt their headdress.





(Photographs of activities of the Legion and Auxiliary are welcomed by the editors)

# EDITORIAL



The basis of our political system is the right of the people to make and to alter their constitutions of government. But the Constitution which at any time exists, till changed by an explicit and authentic act of the whole people, is sacredly obligatory upon all.—George Washington.

Worth Remembering

WHATEVER else we may lose sight of in these troublous times of unstable peace, let us not forget that at least one of the great objects of the war was achieved. The Imperial German Government was deposed and a titular democratic regime set up in its place. Let it be granted for the moment that this allegedly democratic government may be but a mask for a Prussianism as menacing as that which flowered up to 1914 and beyond—the fact remains that the supreme embodiment of that spirit is no longer on the throne, is no longer in Germany. Militarism may persist, but it is the militarism of a hundred heads, not of one. And it is much easier for a hundred heads to fight among themselves than for one head to fight with itself.

Realizing this, we must remember that the downfall of Kaiserism, an accomplished fact in spite of any iniquities which were or were not perpetuated in the Treaty of Versailles, brought more joy to the loyal American of German descent in the United States than to anyone else. Too much of the substructure of the German immigration in this country is based on the true democrats of '48, who left the Fatherland rather than submit to Hohenzollern oppression, for us to confuse all "German-Americans" with the krieglich und kaiserlich band which sought to promote discord within America between 1914 and the end of the war, and which is now attempting (with considerable awkwardness) to resume activities.

There are two kinds of Americans of German descent. One of them believes in upturned, wax-tipped moustachios. The other believes that the war was fought to make the world, including Germany, safe for democracy.

#### The Australian Way

The former private in the Australian forces, whose army pay was \$1.50 a day, is now receiving adjusted compensation averaging \$510. All the sophistry of the parsimonious patriots who are afraid that cash compensation will defile the glory of America's dollar-a-day doughboys cannot obscure the obvious comparison between the justice wholeheartedly accorded its fighting men by an undeveloped country, and the justice so far denied its fighting men by the richest nation in the world.

#### Jawbone vs. Pen

THE Voice of the Legion, the department of this magazine reserved for letters to the editor, has become a national forum. From the rostrum of its columns of type echo the thoughts and opinions of the Pacific Coast and New England, the South and the Middle West and the scattered mountain regions—trivial and profound, humorous and tragic, laudatory and denunciatory. The major-general speaks in one paragraph and the former army nurse in another. One-time colonels and captains, sergeants and doughboys, leathernecks and gobs arise in turn to address the audience.

The writers of the letters to the editor could hardly be classed as a mutual admiration society. A large part of the hundreds of communications received weekly are on controversial subjects—the income tax, the farmer's plight, the railroad situation, the debt owed the United States by the Allies, foreign relations, the various racial problems, labor conditions, civil service, compulsory military training, to

mention only a few subjects. It is regrettable that space limitations do not permit The American Legion Weekly to publish all these letters in full. Because of these limitations, The Voice of the Legion must remain but an index to what the country is thinking about.

what the country is thinking about.

But there are more than 10,000 posts of The American Legion, and the jawbone is still mightier than the typewriter. At this critical period in American history, posts of the Legion can perform no greater service than to conduct debates on the problems which must soon be solved by this nation.

#### His Hobbies

GROVER C. BERGDOLL, who is devoting the Rhineland springtime to strutting mockery of the United States Government and slandering American army officials in the hope that his false accusations of bribery may cause distrust in the hearts of Americans, has two hobbies. He fishes for trout, and he keeps a scrap-book of newspaper clippings and letters forwarded to him from the States.

There is a suspicion that he is displaying to his German courtiers with pompous exultation the letters he receives from slacking friends and disloyalists at home. "See what they think of me," he probably is saying.

Throughout the United States there are thousands of exservice men who would like to tell Bergdoll what they think of him. If they speak, his scrap-book will no longer be a record of perfidy condoned. For general information, his address is Eberbach, Baden, Deutschland. A five-cent stamp is required. There is no censorship.

#### Get a Member

IT is not reasonable to suppose that every American Legion member can afford to devote the greater part of his time to the organization. Nine-tenths of us have to spend most of our waking hours gaining a livelihood. In every community are men and women conspicuous for the service they are rendering, but the Legion does not expect the average member to devote his principal energies toward the betterment of the organization.

But every Legion member, no matter how busy he may be, no matter how deeply engrossed in personal matters, has the opportunity of doing something. He can bear in mind what the Legion stands for, what it has already accomplished and is accomplishing for the veteran and for the country—what it expects to accomplish. And he can recite the record and the aims to the eligible veteran who is not a member.

Every man who reads this knows men who should belong to the Legion. Tell them about it. Put the idea of joining into their heads. Let it work there. You don't have to be a professional booster to do this. You can do it quite casually in the course of an ordinary conversation. Such simple work will help materially in the day by day and month by month building up of the organization by the attraction of new members.

The hen is one of the few living creatures that are most efficient when lying down on the job.

The Germans appear to have changed their national slogan from "Me und Gott" to "We aindt got."

Something tells us that the profiteer will go to a world where the income tax rate is 101 percent.

There is only one greater pleasure than telling somebody "Don't do it": saying, "I told you so."

In the old days it was the barkeeper's custom to throw in a cigar with each sale of a bottle of laughing water. Now the purchaser is lucky if the bartender doesn't throw in a piece of crepe. SHE VOICE of the LEGION

Responsibility is disclaimed for facts stated or opinions expressed in this department. Because of space demands, letters are subject to abridgement.

#### What Next?

To the Editor: The proposal of the State of Illinois to tax all bachelors ten dollars is a fitting climax to all the other blows that have been showered upon the former soldier who is still struggling to get a new start in his old environment. If the Legislature should pass a law for the collection of this tax, it ought also to issue meatof this tax, it ought also to issue meat-cleavers to tax collectors, because the State would have to be satisfied with a pound of flesh in place of real money should it try to take ten dollars from certain dis-abled men with whose cases I am familiar.—WILLIAM WALTERS, Chicago.

#### Hasn't He Resigned?

To the Editor: In my opinion American-Americans should protest against the Kaiser's book being published serially by American newspapers. There may be some who will value this book for what it is worth, or at least be uninfluenced by it, worth, or at least be uninquenced by it, but many unthinking readers might be led into a softer feeling toward Germany. We who went through hell over there do not believe Germany's present attitude warrants us in catering to her good graces.—FLOYD I. JONES, Naples, N. Y.

#### Idle Funds

To the Editor: In a large number of counties throughout the country money that was raised for Red Cross work during the war was never sent to Red Cross Headquarters and is lying idle in the local banks. This money in many cases is doing good only to the bank holding it. Can some one tell me why a part or all of funds of this nature cannot be turned over to the local post of The American Legion? Posts could use it for building or furnishing club rooms.—Percy B. Lane, Bath, Ill.

#### Any Connection?

To the Editor: Is there any connection between the opposition of certain newspapers to adjusted compensation for World War veterans and the practice of these papers of calling especial attention to any infringement of the law by ex-service men? There seems to be an insidious concerted effort to lower the World War veterans in the esteem of their fellow-countrymen. Is public opinion being molded to the following viewpoint: If large numbers of ex-service men are vagabonds and criminals, it would be the greatest folly to waste the nation's money in providing compensation for these scamps.—RICHARD I. PRICE, Delta, Colo. To the Editor: Is there any connection

#### Insurance and Pensions

To the Editor: Military discipline perhaps of necessity involves a decided interference with the liberty of the soldier. There is all the greater reason, therefore, for refraining from any form of compulsion in his strictly private affairs. Insurance has usually been provided the soldier by pensions of different kinds, and it should be provided by pensions in the by pensions of different kinds, and it should be provided by pensions in the future. It is altogether probable that our Government will ultimately pay pensions to veterans of the World War, and members of The American Legion will bear their share of the expense involved without complaint complaint.

I wish to emphasize, however, is the principle that, however desirable insurance is, there are individual cases in which there is no great need for it; that in view of the low pay of the Army the moncy diverted to insurance might better be used for another purpose. For many men the camp song, "Thirty dollars every month, deducting twenty-nine," was almost liter-

ally true.

It is now an inescapable fact that the Government owes its former soldiers or their actual immediate dependents a pension sufficient to bring their earning capacity to a minimum decent support for Precedent guarantees the principle.—A. L. BENEDICT, former captain, M. R. C., Buffalo,

#### Peace with Germany

To the Editor: The proposed separate peace with Germany is certainly one that The American Legion should oppose with

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The separate peace is justifiable only on two conditions: first, that Germany is no longer a menace; and second, that the United States has no desire to co-operate with the Allies in the fixing and securing of reparation and other terms.

Germany is still a menace to the peace of the world. The vast majority of the people of this country are friendly to the Allies and want the fullest co-operation with them compatible with the protection of our own rights.

of our own rights.

The American Legion will have failed to protect democracy against present or future foreign aggression if it makes no protest against the actions and the declarations of many of our senators and representatives who would make a separate peace with a still dangerous enemy at the expense of our Allies and our national honor.—JOHN A. PIQUET, Concord, N. H.

#### Reported for Duty

To the Editor: Please pass on the following news to the rest of the Ex-A. E. F.: Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl M. Brownfield Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl M. Brownheld of Tampa, Fla., on March 18th, a six-and-a-half-pound Red Cross Nurse and an eight-pound doughboy. Mr. Brownfield was first sergeant of Headquarters company, 337th Infantry, 85th Division. I might add that congratulations will not be considered hand-shaking.—CARL M. BROWNFIELD, Box 2301, Tampa, Fla.

#### Is J. R. T. on the Line?

To the Editor: I have read with considerable amusement the burble of Ex-Caporal T. regarding the treatment he ceived from the Signal Corps girls at Tours, and his malicious statement that "it is a fact that they passed a resolution among themselves to associate with none other than officers."

Consider the evidence I offer to the contrary: My sister, who was a supervisor in the Signal Corps at Tours, as well as three other of my friends have all married ex-privates or non-coms whom they met while at that station.

while at that station.

Some of the happiest memories of my seventeen months in the A. E. F. are of the good times we had with enlisted men, including cooks and K. P.'s, at Neufchateau, at Souilly, at La Belle Epine and at Brest.—MRS. A. L. M., ex-Telephone Operator, Signal Corps, Newton, N. J.

#### They're Off!

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To the Editor: In answer to Ex-Cpl.

J. R. T.'s letter, I wish to say that he should be proud that the Q. M. C. and the Signal Corps girls at Tours were pegging away on their typewriters and at their switchboards while he, according to his own statements, was fighting the Battle of Cognac and entertaining his French mademoiselles.

I, myself, served as a Signal Corps girl at G. H. Q. at Chaumont. While on my way there I stopped at Tours, waiting for orders, and the first night I was there the Signal Corps girls entertained the enlisted

men at a dance in the Signal Corps house, and at every place where the Signal Corps

place where the Signal Corps girls worked with the enlisted men they associated with them on equal terms. Of course, there are snobs everywhere, but all Signal Corps girls should not be judged by a few.—DELTA HAGEN KRUGER, Monticello, Minn.

To the Editor: I wonder if Ex-Cpl. J. R. T. remembers the M. P.'s who were on duty in Tours. After serving as a doughboy in the 32d Division, I was on M. P. duty in Tours for seven months after the Armistice, and during that period an American girl never spoke to me or gave me a pleasant look. Not that I was looking for it, as I knew a little Belgian mademoiselle that was worth more than all the girls at Barracks 66 put together. One of my buddies met one of the girls from 66 one day and she was from his home town of Milwaukee. He spoke to her and she gave him to understand that if he didn't sport something on his shoulders he should keep moving. I leave it to the buddies of the entire A. E. F. as to who were our best friends in Tours, the American or French girls.—Another Ex-Cpl., Menasha, Wis.

#### "Trained Veterans"

To the Editor: The adoption of the bill reducing the Regular Army to 156,000 men means that certain interests which would have to bear a large share of the burden of maintaining an adequate Army believe that this country has a body of 4,000,000 that this country has a body of 4,000,000 trained World War veterans who could overnight be put back in the ranks in case of another emergency. Those who stayed at home before could stay at home again. Conscientious objectors could get their hon-

Conscientious objectors could get their honorable discharges again.

If this principle is accepted, it means that because we were in the service once, we have not the right to form business, home or other ties that would interfere with our starting for Europe, Asia or Africa tomorrow. We are regarded as professional soldiers, but between times of military usefulness we are turned loose to shift for fulness we are turned loose to shift for ourselves as best we may.

Every ex-service man should lend his support to legislation for the training of adequate reserves to maintain a real military force and obviate the reliance upon the body of ex-soldiers whose potential usefulness grows less each year.—VETERAN, LaGrange, Ind.

#### For Quick Acceptance

To the Editor: I have read with interest the letter from Milt Thomas, Douglasville, Pa., suggesting that an employment column

Pa., suggesting that an employment column be started in the magazine. I am highly in favor of his proposal as I need men from time to time and may even need an employer some day.

At present I am in search of a man. I want the man for the place. He must be an ex-service man, educated (college preferably, a degree of Ph.D. in chemistry would help him), refined and cultured, yet withal he must be able to wield a vile radius and

he must be able to wield a vile radius and back it up by a pair of enormous biceps.

I should like him to be an expert mechanic and automobile salesman as well as to be familiar with the spice and sugar whole-sale trade around New York, Boston and Chicago. His business will be that of truck driving for my establishment, which specialdriving for my establishment, which specializes in milk deliveries and laundry collecting. His hours will be from sun-up to sundown, with one day off every two months, and I will pay him in coin of the realm eighteen hard iron men a month and breakfasts.—HARRY PARKER, 10 Court street, Arlington, Mass.

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#### Time Tells

Twenty: "I'm so afraid I'll marry the wrong man."

Thirty: "There isn't any."

#### Ideal

Mrs. North: "My husband spends all his evenings at the club."

Mrs. West: "What a happy home life you must have!"

#### Behave!

"Gladys celebrated her birthday last week," an-nounced Alice.

"Did she take the day off?" inquired Virginia.
"The day? She took about two years off."

#### Gr-r-r!

Archie had just returned home after leaving college—by request. Far from providing a fatted calf for the prodical son. Father started fatted calf for the prodi-gal son, Father started out to tell him just what he thought of him. He had just got through with describing the fifty-seven varieties of saphead he believed his offspring to be when the entrance of the office manager inter-

the office manager interrupted the scene.
"Well, well, Archie!"
said the last heartily.
"Glad to see you back.
How you've grown! You're
getting more and more
like your father every
day."

day."
"So Dad was just saying," replied Archie

sweetly.

#### The Catch

A New England spinster

was much enamored of a neighboring farmer, but the affection was not returned. One day, starting on one of his weekly visits to town, the maiden came rushing out, crying:

"Yoo-hoo, Mr. Simpkins, do you mind taking me with you?"

The farmer considered warily and finally

allowed her to climb in.

In vain the lady tried every topic of conversation without eliciting response and finally in desperation fell back on the pass-

finally in desperation fell back on the passing bits of scenery. Going by the minister's house, she cried: "Oh, Mr. Simpkins, what a beautiful hitching post Pastor Watson has."

"Gol durn," cried the other, cracking his whip. "I knowed there was a hitch in it somewhere. Dobbin, giddap. Ma'am, that's fer hosses only."

#### Tragedy Topics

Paying \$5 a pint for "cold tea"—and get-

ting it.

On a trolley at midnight with a \$20 bill the smallest you have.

The best restaurant in town with the

only girl in the world and your money in your other pants.

No stopper in the wash basin and some-



body stopping the water when the soap is smarting your eyes. Believing your clock is half an hour fast

in the morning and discovering it is twenty minutes slow.

The 14th of the month when pay day is

Five dollars, a \$4.95 check and a nasty waiter.

Knowing that the girl who turned you own for "that impossible boob" is happily down for married.

#### Majesty of the Law

Mistress: "I should think you would be ashamed to let that policeman kiss you."
Maid: "Yes, but how could I resist the

#### Good Old Saturday Night

Teacher: "Why is cleanliness next to godliness?"
Pupil: "Because it comes the day before Sunday."

#### Never Dies

North: "Do you believe in immortality?" West: "Sure. Look at the campaign promises of a business administration."

#### Averted

The Hannibal and St. Jo was one of Missouri's earliest cross-state rail-roads, and interest in it on the part of the rural population was intense at the time service was in-augurated. At one point on the line where no stop

on the line where no stop was scheduled the first train thundered through at a terrific rate of speed. "Lawd, Lawd!" ejaculated one terrified inhabitant. "Sure is lucky for this community that that hims didn't continues." thing didn't go through town sideways."

#### The New Twist

Bromide: "They say a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush."

Baseball Manager: "Huh! I've got some birds on my hands that ought to be back in the bushes."

#### C. O. D.

An old darky visited a An old darky visited a doctor and received instructions as to what he should do. Shaking his head, he was about to leave the office, when the

leave the office, when the doctor called out:

"Hey, there, uncle, you forgot to pay me."

"Pay you fo' what, boss?"

"For my advice."

"Nossuh, boss," said Rastus, shuffling out. "I'se compluntated it from all angles and decided not to take it."

#### Those Whiskers

Colonel Slinkoffski, com-Colonel Sinkoliski, commanding an anti-Soviet regiment, tore open a message from the front.

"Slight error in previous report." it read.

"Clump of brush reported captured proved to be Bolshevik platoon."

#### Argonne

The silver striper was an honest man, but he was in love with a girl who demanded deeds of daring.

"Tell me," she breathed, "what was the greatest battle you were in?"

"Ah, g'wan," he replied with embarrassment

ment.
"My hero," she cried, falling on his neck, and they were married next month.

#### "Orders Are Orders"

On a 1918 troop train these two orders were pasted on the wall:
Divisional: "No liquor is permitted aboard troop trains."
Regimental: "Don't throw bottles out of the windows."

#### Sheer Accident

"The bride and groom met by accident."
"Very interesting. How come?"
"She got a speck of dust in her eye and he thought she was winking at him."

#### THE TRUTHFUL MUNCHAUSEN

IF you have any tales of the wild and It you have any tales of the wild and woozy things that happened to you during the war—things that you know are true, but that no one else would believe if you swore to them on a stack of General Orders—all you have to do is shoot them along to the Munchausen Editor, The American Legion Weekly. We're off:

But the Woods Were Full of Them—While attached to the M. T. C. at Brest I heard a man admit he was not in the Argonne Forest.—Ex-Am. Ar., Foreston, Minn.

Handshaking for Seconds—I once saw a deuxieme lieutenant standing with the K. P.'s in the mess line dishing out the slum. I claim this wins the cut glass punching bag.—X. Y. Z., Boston.

We Get You, We Get You—Was in Brest twenty-three days and it did not rain one day. Please read second time to get meaning.—John L. Johnston, Detroit,

What Rank, Buddy?—Private Colonel Miller was a member of the 157th Ambulance Company, Second Army Provisional Sanitary Train.—ROBERT BOWMAN, Eureka Springs, Ark.

Some Service—Was stuck at the phone during St. Mihiel and couldn't get any eats. Colonel Nelson, 328th Infantry, sneaked out and brought me back a can of sardines and some crackers.—Edson Frizzell, New York City.

Never Heard of Your Outfit—While stationed at Mauvages a freight train containing champagne and chocolat Meunier was derailed. Though the wreck was there four days not a thing was taken.—L. A. H., Salt Lake City.

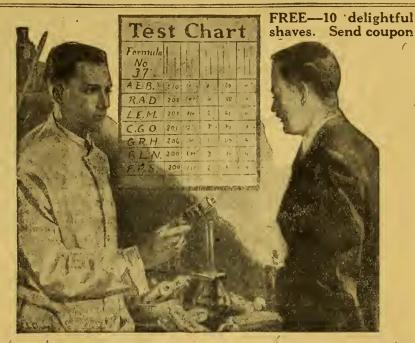
The Complete Gents' Outfitter—On the boat coming home met a corporal that I ate a frozen bologna with going over. Lent him an outfit so he had three squares a day with the officers until he got caught, six days out.—EX-SHAVEY BUD, Rumford,

Command of Execution—We had a major who could cuss like—well, he could cuss worse than that. One day at battalion drill here's the order as he gave it: "Column of squads, first company right by squads, get that blinkety-blank horse out of the way, march!"—F. B. CLARK, Chicago.

What Army Were You In?—In all my martial career nobody ever said: "How long you been in the Army?" Our skipper was a regular guy, he was. Never rubbed his finger along our chow pails to see if any slum was left. I listened to two Limeys converse and understood everything they said.—F. V. H., Indianapolis.

And He Signs His Real Name!-Went And He Signs His Real Name:—Went A. W. O. L. from outfit in Luxembourg to Nancy, Paris and Marseilles and used a red and white Elks card for transportation all the way. Told the A. P. M. at Marseilles the whole story and he gave me a pass every day while he was trying to find my bunch.—F. B. CLARK, Chicago.

Marvelous! Marvel-ous!—In our outfit we had five privates who liked to drill, a corporal who wouldn't put his chevrons on till a captain made him, a top kick who was popular, and a second loot who in time became so human he learned to walk on his hind legs.—Daniel A. Hubbard, Dexter,



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PUTTING IT OVER—Left to right, Francis E. Drake, Commander, Department of France: Milton J. Foreman, National Executive Committeeman, Department of Illinois: James T. Duane, Commander, Department of Massachusetts, John N. Floyd, State\_Americanism Chairman, Department of Kansas.

#### THE LEGION IN REVIEW

(Continued from page 9)

stones to be ordered to fill all applications

stones to be ordered to till all applications which have been received.

Meanwhile in Legion posts all over the country plans are going forward apace for the celebration of Memorial Day. The time-honored parade in practically every community will be the most colorful feature of the day, and every effort is being made by posts to get their members to turn out in uniform. Automobiles will be provided by many posts for wounded and disabled men and veterans of '61-'65.

#### DEVELOPING POST PEP

By Wells Hawks

Commander, S. Rankin Drew Post, New York City

S. RANKIN DREW Post is named in ANNAIN DREW Post is named in honor of the first American actor killed in action. Its membership is made up of men engaged in the allied amusements, publicity men and writers.

Getting the crowd to come in, attracting detting the crowd to come in, attracting the attention of the throng and now and then stirring things up with bands and banners is an old trick to most of the men in this post. They are the men who, when the call came, dropped script and advertising copy, ceased writing songs and comedy lines, closed the make-up boxes, laid aside the motion picture cameras and, leaving behind them all that amused mankind, went themselves into the serious business of war.

The man of the show business who was in the front lines of those who answered the first call was just as eager to come into the Legion in this post on the Great White Way. But when it got down to the routine Way. Way. But when it got down to the routine of meetings, the work of officers and the duties of committees it was another story, and for months we struggled along with an attendance that was slim, indeed. We had night meetings, day sessions and Sunday gatherings, and then a light came to me. These men lived in a land of "something doing." They were ever where the hand played the merriest, where the lights burned the brightest, where wit was always a competition, and they had to be interested. interested.

No mere "Dear Comrade" postal card announcing a meeting would gather them in, neither would a vaudeville show or a moving picture. They had these all day long and every night. It had to be something different. So I took another tack, heartily backed by my fellow officers. And it worked out so successfully that we could hold our crowd for three hours and have them wanting more.

rowd for three hours and have them wantsing more.

This was the method: First, we invited to each meeting a guest who had a name and something to tell. For instance, once we had for our guest the man who wrote most of the dime novels of our boyhood. Then we had a newspaper man who told us all about the Paree we longed for, loved and lingered in. And we had actors from Broadway hits, playwrights who wrote the

hits, a police commissioner and other city officials. In short, we brought to our members something out of the usual in their daily lives.

We started each meeting with a dinner, each one paying for his own food; it warmed the crowd up. When coffee came the commander arose and started the came the commander arose and started the meeting according to the prescribed rules. It went along and then it dropped a bit. The speaker was introduced and pep came into play. He finished, and we went on with the meeting and it might lag again. If it did members arose and began to ask questions of the speaker until we had created a most informing symposium. Then maybe we had a song or a motion picture maybe we had a song or a motion picture to wind up with.

At each meeting, before we adjourn, each At each meeting, before we adjourn, each man is handed a piece of paper and is expected to write one brief item of interest for our monthly bulletin. We are keeping up this bulletin and each month our membership turns out with better results. Also our adjutant writes a personal note to each persistent absentee asking why he does not attend and calling for a suggestion as to what is, his idea of putting pep into his nost. post.

And here is something we've tried suc-And here is something we've tried successfully with our committees, and other posts might try it, too. Name your committees in open meetings. Then at each succeeding meeting call them up to report, not only the chairman, but ask each member of them, "What have you done?" As for increasing membership and also as to receive the control of the control post publicity, I do not believe that any post should wait on national, county or state organization for initiative. Look to them for backing, but keep going ahead

Post officers are invited to exchange through the medium of the official magazine ideas and suggestions for improving the organization that have been tried out by them and proved successful. Address Post Exchange Editor, The American Legion WEEKLY.

#### THE BERGDOLL TRAIL

WHEN the government of Baden released from custody Karl Neuf and Frank Zimmer, the two Americans who attempted to capture Grover C. Bergdoll at Eberbach and were given prison sentences for alleged usurpation of authority, it did not rid itself by any means of the embarrassing problem into which Bergdoll's presence in Germany has developed. Both the war and State Departments at Washington have been busy on possible ways to obtain the delivery of Bergdoll himself from the German authorities. Although officials at Washington have hesitated to express for publication positive opinions that the at washington have nestated to express for publication positive opinions that the United States Government itself can obtain the surrender of Bergdoll, dispatches from London lend strength to the reports that

the British Government is willing to demand that Bergdoll be given up for prosecu-tion under its immigration laws. The use of false passports by Bergdoll in passing through Canada and England on his way to Germany is said to be an extraditable

#### AMERICANISM NOTES

"THE Americanism Commission now calls

"THE Americanism Commission now calls for all true Americans again to rally to the nation's standard," declares a bulletin issued by the Americanism Commission which urges that every State hold a mass meeting similar to the recent gathering in New York City to combat pro-German propaganda. "The American Legion must lead the way. The hour has come for us again to pour out our hearts in full expression to uphold, defend and keep sacred the precious ideals we hold dearer than life. "Let us set the nation on fire with the patriot's flame. Let the people of every State of this nation gather within their respective borders at their most sacred shrines to worship God and do duty for our country. The evil ones never sleep. The eyes of those who love America must not fall asleep in indifference. Let us be watchful, ever aroused to the needs of the hour. Let us reconsecrate and rededicate Americans to America, love our country above everything else, making her honor our honor and the glory of her name our own."

Several departments, soon after the New York mass meeting, arranged for similar demonstrations.

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demonstrations.

What the Legion stands for in its work of Americanization is shown in a chart prepared by Henry J. Ryan, chairman of the Americanism Commission, and adopted as the Legion's official platform by the commission. This chart, under the main head of Americanism, shows the Legion's interpretation of the themes underlying good citizenship, as "To Understand America," "To Know America" and "To Love America." Education, laws and nationalism are emphasized as the means to this end. The sub-divisions of the chart set forth the need for nationwide study of the English language, civics and American, history in all elementary and high schools and the importance of the church, school and home in the development of an understanding of America. The improvement of immigration and naturalization laws, prevention of agitation for the violent overthrow of the government and proper respect for the flag, public offices and patriotic symbols are encouraged in the chart. What the Legion stands for in its work of

One of the pioneers in Legion organization in the Southeast has become actively engaged in the supervision of the Americanism work of the Legion with the appointment of Alvin W. Owsley of Austin, Tex., as assistant director of the Americanism Commission. Mr. Owsley was a leader in the Legion movement in Texas which resulted in the passage of a bill providing \$1,500,000 for a hospital for exservice men at Kerrville.

Jefferson Post of Louisville, Ky., has taken into its care the "Naturalization Elm" at Camp Zachary Taylor, under whose boughs thousands of men became American citizens during the World War. The tree has been immortalized in the American Forestry Association's "Hall of Fame," and it will be fittingly honored and preserved under the guardianship of the Legion

Legionnaires of John A. Boechat Post of Buffalo, N. Y., and the American Fellowship Association of Buffalo, an organization for the aid of immigrants, are cooperating in the work of Americanization in that city, which has a large foreign



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population. The post recently had as a speaker Dr. George Eisler, executive secre-tary of the American Fellowship Association, who himself was an immigrant fourteen years ago, and who explained to the Legion the needs of the immigrant and the way to approach him in order to make him a good citizen.

An Americanism Day on which every one of the 224 posts in the State will conduct a patriotic mass meeting has been decided upon by the Department of Oklahoma. The project was presented to the recent conference of post commanders and adjutants at Oklahoma City by E. K. Bixby, State Americanism Chairman, and was accepted.

#### PRO AND CON

Editorial Comment on the Activities of The American Legion.

If the politicians could work out some scheme by which they could get the slacker and Hun vote without losing the American Legion vote, life would be much simpler and pleasanter for them.—Indianapolis News.

The first group of sympathizers with the The first group of sympathizers with the anti-Japanese agitators are the Legion-naires. The Americans who were dispatched to France during the war but who did not take a sufficient share in actual fighting are still bloodthirsty. The most warlike people now in the world are the American Legionnaries.—Yorodzu, Tokyo.

The American Legion, properly directed, could be a tremendous force for the accomcould be a tremenquus rocket plishments of worth-while objects. Is it being so directed? Much of its energy, which the published accounts of its we gather from published accounts of we gather from published accounts of its activities, is being expended in organizing "drives" against what its leaders proclaim to be various kinds of pernicious alien "propaganda," "pro-Germanism," and what not. Have these leaders thought of what they might do in getting our own country back to first principles, and away from the dangerous doctrines of intolerance that sprang up during the war?—Baltimore Sun. Sun.

The American Legion has been criticized The American Legion has been criticized for activities by some branches. In general the complaints made are that the service men are a little too quick on the trigger, a little too rushing in the charge. But we need determination and decision and driving force in the army in war, and we must applaud the same qualities in a civilian host in time of peace. As its determination becomes known, as its sleepless vigilance is more and more realized, the tense need of fiery action will grow less. The time will come when whoever opens fire will come when whoever opens fire with any anti-propaganda of any kind will realize that he will rouse the Boys of '17, and there are few resident enemies of this and there are tew resident enemies of this nation so bold as to challenge that. Therefore, while anyone can discern the anti-Allied propaganda in many forms, and can almost see the Copperhead sneer behind some current writings, we can treat these as we treated the Prussians and Austrians—leave them to the Legion.—Detroit Jour-

From time to time we have had occasion to criticize The American Legion, but hope never to do so on a mistaken basis of fact. There is considerable danger of this now when reactionary "Americanism" is everywhere trying to disguise itself in a cloak of patriotism and seeking to use former service men to pull its chestnuts out of the fire. In almost any mixed crowd of a score or upward, there are likely to be at least one or two former soldiers. They may not belong to The American Legion, and they may be present as spectators rather than participants, but in any case LIGHTING THE WAY!



From The New Orleans Times-Picayune

of disturbance or outrage there is always somebody shrewd enough to spread the idea that the action was organized or led by members of the Legion. In this they find the press more than ready to cooperate, and dispatches placing the responsibility on former soldiers are sent out either without investigation. without investigation or with deliberate purpose to deceive. Worse even than this, newspapers do not hesitate to act as agents newspapers do not hesitate to act as agents provocateurs, and by asking American Legion posts if they do not propose to stop this or that, incite disturbances which they later gleefully chronicle.

These considerations came to us forcibly when we picked up the newspapers of March 14 and noted that members of The American Legion were said to have incited the moh in Kansas that tarred and rolled

the mob in Kansas that tarred and in the grass two organizers of the National Nonpartisan League. For at the same time we had before us a copy of the Nonpartisan we had before us a copy of the Nonpartisan Leader of March 7, containing a letter to the editor from A. H. Vernon, commander of The American Legion of Minnesota. The letter referred to another that had been received from the Legion in Kansas, in which the latter body asked assistance in correcting the Monartisan League to which correcting the impression that it was opposing the Nonpartisan League, to which "many American Legion members belong." Commander Vernon's letter was sent to 400 newspapers in Minnesota. The Leader, noting the result in St. Paul and Minneapolis, found that of the seven dailies only one printed the letter—the Minnesota Daily Star, owned by Nonpartisan League and labor interests. In the circumstances we are disposed to take with several grains of salt the effort to make The American Legion appear as the instigator of the outrages against Nonpartisan League men in Kansas. We suspect that crooked business and servile newspapers are more to blame, and servile newspapers are more to blame, as they have been in other recent mob episodes.—The Nation, New York.

#### REVIEW NOTES

Maj. Gen. W. C. Haan, director of the War Plans Division of the General Staff, has an-nounced that efforts will be made to increase the number of men in the Officers' Reserve Corps to 100,000 from its present total of

Newton D. Baker, former Secretary of War, has accepted an 'appointment as a colonel in the Officers' Reserve Corps for service in the Judge Advocate General's department. Mr. Baker has returned to the practice of law at Cleveland, Ohio.

R. G. Cholmeley-Jones, whose resignation as Director of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance has been submitted to the new Secretary of the Treasury, expects to become vice president of the Finance and Trading Corporation of New York City as soon as his successor has been appointed.

Former service men have organized a com-any under the title of Greater America Films

for the purpose of producing motion pictures exposing Bolshevist operations in America and the true character of the soviet government in Russia. Captain Clifford S. Wheeler, who served in Siberia, is president of the company.

Congressman Julius Kahn, chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee, in a speech at Detroit recently expressed his approval of one of President Harding's inaugural utterances by saying that he would be willing to pledge himself "to a conscription of both capital and labor as well as fighting men" if another war occurs.

Cable dispatches report that deserters from the wartime French and German armies are now lighting daily battles in Switzerland, much to the annoyance of the hospitable Swiss Govern-ment, which would like to run the whole lot across the border but refrains because it knows most of them would be subject to immediate

A world's record for bigamy was claimed for Harold Hammond, 20-year-old sailor, now serving a term in Portsmouth naval prison, when two divorce actions were begun against him recently at White Plains, N. Y. Attorneys stated he had gone through marriage ceremonies with fourteen young women in coast towns from Maine to Virginia.

The Secretary of War has directed that an overseas discharge center be established at Fort Slocum, New York, and that hereafter all casuals returned from organizations of the Army outside of the United States and entering the port of New York shall be sent there for disposition, instead of as heretofore to Camp Dix, N. J.

Warnings that a return of the influenza epidemic might be expected in the United States this Spring have been accentuated by latest reports from the American Army on the Rhine, where the epidemic has already broken out in severity. The Second Battalion of the Eighth Infantry was quarantined after forty-five men had become seriously ill.

According to a War Department announcement "in six months at the outside, one thousand new beds will be available for tuberculosis veterans of the World War at Fitzsimonons General Hospital, Denver, Colo." The War Department is now preparing plans and specifications for the increase in the hospital's capacity. The sum of \$750,000 for the purpose was carried in the first deficiency bill of the Sixty-Sixth Congress.

#### HEADQUARTERS BULLETINS

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SUBJECT: EXPULSION FROM MEMBERSHIP—ORGANIZATION NO. 3.

Recent requests from various Departments and Posts for information bearing on the subject of "Expulsion from Membership of The American Legion" have made it necessary on the part of National Headquarters to adopt a policy which will temporarily allow an organization to cope with this question, same being subject to the approval of the next National Convention. The following information is therefore submitted for the guidance of all concerned.

1. Expulsion of a member should not be made until complete and thorough investigation of the charges has been made. Hasty and unwarranted conclusions should be carefully avoided.

2. Due to the fact that expulsion of a member from a post automatically expels him from the Legion, since it is only through a post that a man can belong to the Legion, such action should not be taken by any post unless the reasons are such as to justify expulsion from any unit of the entire organization.

3. Names of members who are expelled, together with statement of facts substantiating the expulsion charges and copies of all proceedings, should be reported to Department Headquarters, thence to National Headquarters, where a record will be kept.—Lemuel Bolles, National Adjutant.

SUBJECT: INTEGRITY OF OUR NAME.—SPECIAL

SUBJECT: INTEGRITY OF OUR NAME.—SPECIAL NO. 14.

All members of The American Legion at this time should exercise the greatest care in giving official letters of recommendation to persons or enterprises seeking public support for their own ends and who desire to use such letters as an endorsement of their efforts. The name of The American Legion occupies an enviable place in the public confidence and every undertaking to which it lends its support must be worthy of their support. The continued integrity of our name renders its use in various advertising and other campaigns for profit or for the personal advancement of individuals undesirable. The use of The American Legion to further the candidacy of any person for an appointive office under the government is in conflict with the provisions of our Constitution. The preservation of these standards of The American Legion are largely in the keeping of post and department officials.—Lemuel Bolles, National Adjutant. No. 14.
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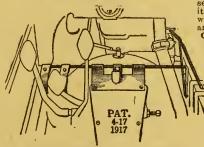
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#### THE ELEPHANT ON THE WIRE

(Continued from page 6)

"It can't be true," breathed Masters. "But it has to be."

"We have to take the chance," contributed Brantman. "About three more days like this and we won't have five thousand dollars to give to anybody. Wire him to come on."

And Gilvers came. A special express car attached to the end of a limited train from Cleveland brought the trainer and his balancing elephant twenty hours after Brantman had summoned him. Gilvers radiated more confidence and optimism than had come under the observation of the showman and his manager since the days when the gullible rustic succumbed to the

bombardment of three shells.
"What's your racket?" inquired Masters without delay as preparations were in progress for the debarking of Nabob, Gilvers's rope-walking pachy-

"Gyroscope—like a balancin' top," explained Gilvers. "Simple—got a gas engine an' a big flywheel in the

gas engine an' a big flywheel in the cage on the bull's back. Set it goin' an' you got him. He can't fall off."
Brantman was dubious, but he remembered the spinning tops of his youth—tops that stayed in weird positions by virtue of whirling wheels in-

side them.

"I can borrow a shed over here for a few minutes," he said. "Get your bull over and I'll send the apparatus."

THE showman's skepticism increased when he saw Gilvers's "bull" enter the old freight shed with all the panoply of the Orient-plush draperies flowing from its massive sides, a brazen headstall giving it the facial expression of a quizzical professor in immense goggles. Brass balls at the ends of the short tusks gleamed in the shadows of the dim shed, bright as the beacons of a pawn shop, and the palan-quin that rocked on the "bull's" broad back was an eye-catching work of gilt and jewelled magnificence.

Masters sniffed close to Brantman's

"Too much hokum," he confided. "This bull looks like a coal pite in a ball gown."

Gilvers crawled into the palanquin and started the motor. The beast staggered a moment and wrinkled its thick hide as if anxious to shed the incubus. A few prods of the hook ended this exhibition of surliness and the mechanically balanced elephant stepped dutifully toward the tub.

Brantman's heart pounded spasmodically, and he almost ceased to breathe as, for the second time within two short weeks, he watched an elephant walk a

tight-rope.

"If that elephant was pink I'd take the cure," whispered Masters in an awed tone, "Once I saw a blue giraffe

But Brantman wasn't listening to

"The five thousand dollars is yours," he told Gilvers. "What are your

"Fifty-fifty," announced Gilvers with

elephant balanced like a top on any kind of rope. No experiment. Sure shot. Will demonstrate with my own bull for five thousand dollars. Wire at once if interested."

businesslike finality. "I furnish the elephant. You furnish the show, pay me a thousand a month in salary, pay all the bills, buy hay and gasoline for the elephant, book a good chauffeur to keep the engine turnin', keep a tailor in stock to see that Nabob's clothes are pressed, furnish us with a private can' a lot o' brass polish. An' we spot the profits even Steven."

"Fifty-fifty," gulped Masters.

"I'll take you," said Brantman with-

out hesitation.

The wholesale cancellation of dates made Springfield the next stop for the circus. Trixie's successor was the circus. Trixie's successor was loaded into the quarters once occupied by the late star of the Brantman shows, the "artists" hastily collected from their impromptu studios in hotel lobbies and places of less than one hundred percent refreshment, and the train creaked along once more on its southward journey.

Press agents spread to the world the glad tidings that the lost marvel had been recovered. Once more the Great Brantman Shows played to turnaway

Nabob proved tractable and a willing performer. The public may have wondered at the noise of the gasoline en-gine as the elephant balanced on the cable, but gave no sign. A blasting calliope covered up much of the disturbance and the throb of a motor-even in a palanquin on an elephant's backwas no counter-attraction to the incredible equilibrium of the great beast

on the swaying wire.

The show was saved and Brantman

was satisfied.

It was in East St. Louis two nights later that catastrophe caught up with them once more.

Gilvers had been proving from the first that his "fifty-fifty" policy governed all his actions. He fed Nabob on the share and share alike basis—every time the elephant took a bite of hay, Gilvers took a drink.

Having had previous experience with the effect of that sort of diet upon the temperament of elephant trainers, Brantman had himself to thank that he did not foresee the inevitable result.

THE showman was standing near the reserved-seat ticket stand when his attention was attracted by a roar of laughter from the crowd, a rush of razorbacks and the sound of half-suppressed but considerable cursing.

He ran toward the ring with a sinking feeling just above his diaphragm. Trouble had come. The signs of it

were unmistakable.

One glance showed him the situation. Gilvers, shaking drunk, was attempting to coax Nabob out to the apparatus. The elephant, its trappings awry and its headstall loosely hung over its eyes, was standing obstinately in spite of

argument, shaking the flesh on its back.
Inch by inch the golden palanquin
was slipping. A tumbler and a clown
simultaneously attempted to draw Gilvers's attention to it, but he motioned them away with his elephant hook. Before Brantman could reach the farther ring, the great box slid to one side and fell off. Simultaneously the stutter of the gas engine ceased to compete with the calliope. A heavy wheel rolled out



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into the arena. Brantman stood as if

He would have fled had he retained command over his legs. But he was powerless. He leaned against a tent pole and watched with strange fascination the performance he knew must end in disaster. The crowd would learn that it had been tricked and then. He knew from experience the unsettled

temper of crowds.

Gilvers did not seem to have noticed the accident and the loss of his balancing device. He was intent upon driving the elephant to the stand from which the cable stretched across the arena, and, ignoring the protests of ring crew and performers, was jabbing the leisurely Nabob with the hook.

NCE the beast was freed of the palanquin it ceased its stubborn disobedience and lumbered along like a playful steam roller toward the wire. Up the short steps it went and stood for a moment blinking solemnly into the gasoline flares. Then it lifted a foot cautiously and began to slide out onto the single strand bridge. Brantman closed his eyes, unwilling to witness the tragedy that he felt to be just ahead of the misguided brute.

He opened them again as the cheering of the crowd threatened to split his

ear drums. He stared unbelievingly.

Nabob, despite the loss of the balancer, was well out upon the swinging cable and seemingly enjoying the sen-

Then Brantman noticed Gilvers. The trainer was looking up at the elephant, quite sober and obviously amazed. He seemed to be noticing for the first time that the palanquin and the marvelous gyroscope had been removed from the act. Suddenly the spell broke and Gilvers

dropped his hook, crawled under the ropes and dashed through the crowd toward the canvas. A quick fall, a roll, and he had passed under the tent, out into the night. The Great Brantman Shows never saw him again.

The elephant completed the march on the wire without assistance, and clambered down off the stand to be met

by Masters and Brantman. Nabob, the magnificent, Masters and stuck out a long inquisi-

tive trunk for peanuts.
"It can't be," gasped Masters cryptically. The elephant eyed him serenely and his further conversation became a

meaningless jumble of sounds.

"Keep cool," counselled Brantman.

"Cool," choked the manager. "Cool!

I'm as cool as a Mexican hairless at a hot dogs' convention. But it just can't be."

"It just has to be," replied Brantman, surveying the educated elephant for the first time without the trappings of plush and brass that always had been part of Nabob's act.

"Must 'a' had a scow waiting at the breakwater," guessed Masters as his wits came back to him, and Brantman seemed to understand the implication as he examined the marks on the ball-ended tusks that showed where they had recently been sawed off short, and the sleepy little eyes that seemed to have lost half their diameter with the

removal of the bronze head-stall.
"Anyway, she's back again," he chortled exultantly. "Trix, old girl, I don't know how to tell you how glad I am to see you."
"Say it with peanuts," advised

Masters.

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#### WHAT SHALL BE OUR MILITARY POLICY?

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our entire military policy. We should maintain a minimum of 150,000 reserve officers. We had something over 200,000 officers during the last war. In the Civil War we had approximately 127,000 officers in the Northern armies, about 60,000 in the Southern. With 150,000 officers in the Reserve, plus the officers in the Guard and Regular Army, we hall be able to most the demands of a shall be able to meet the demands of a great war for such a period of time as will enable us to train other officers.

THE training of the officers must be thorough. On their training depends not only success but loss of life. When the officers lack training the unnecessary losses will mount up.

Plans should be made through which

very close liaison would be maintained between the Regular Army and the National Guard and Reserve divisions.

We must preach the program of universal training and universal obligation for service, build up the sense of in-dividual responsibility, the general ap-preciation of the obligations of the individual to serve, wherever he can best serve, for from this general sense of obligation comes the spirit of service which ties people together and makes them invincible.

We should do all we can to build up respect for the flag and respect for the uniform; to impress upon our people that the spirit of sacrifice which characterizes the soldier of the Republic is of the highest and finest type. It is that of the men who offered everything in the service of the nation in this war; the spirit of The American Legion. We must impress upon our people that the best men are the best soldiers.

We must keep in reserve ample munitions of war. These cannot be made in a hurry. We must have conveniently located training areas. We must so work out our military policy that men will receive their short basic training and pass through the ordinary period of obligation for service while they are still young—during the age of physical still young-during the age of physical best and minimum domestic and business responsibility.

Our military policy must recognize the fact that great wars are fought now by an entire nation; that the troops in the field are like the cutting edge of a cleaver; the great mass of steel behind represents the organized reserves and strength of the nation which renew the wastage of the cutting edge, give it rigidity and weight.

The organization of a nation for war must be moral as well as physical; moral in the sense of building up the spirit of service in men and women, and in all the conviction that somewhere they must serve to the limit of their ability. The material organization runs back from the battle line to the farm, and includes every profession and industry of the nation.

Plans for the coordination of such a

rians for the coordination of such a mighty effort must not be left to the confusion and hurry of onrushing war. Naval organizations must be as thorough and effective as land organizations. The Navy must be like the Army, but the best ready for some terms of the coordination of such a might be coordination of such a might be coordinated as a coordination of such a might be considered. world, but the best—ready for service, not to-morrow, but on the instant.

#### BIG LEAGUE BALL COMES BACK

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appear as if it would be able to carry on through the entire season. When the pitchers work in rotation and four of them are in condition at once, the attacking strength of the team carries it steadily to victory. But the staff is a hard one to keep in condition. For two years the team started like a whirlwind, then slumped. Last season it was away to a wretched start, and then came fast. A great deal depends, of course, upon the condition of Davy Bancroft. He really made the Giants last season and would this, if his health were good.

Cincinnati is slipping back again,

while Chicago is trying to make an entirely new club, and Evers is showing a great deal of skill in building his team. He has the second strongest pitching corps in the circuit and, of course, must depend upon it to win and cover up the weaknesses of the rest of the team. Boston and Philadelphia are bad ball clubs, although both are a little stronger than last season.

The races in both leagues should be

harder than they were last season for the reason that the weaker clubs have added strength and will give the stronger ones a harder fight.

#### Helpless

By JOSEPH ANDREW GALAHAD

Now damn the Boche that threw the pill that robbed me of my arms! (No doubt he thought he got me clean—but I'm still kicking round.) They're both off at the shoulder, but life still holds its charms;

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I feel so cursed helpless—the very thought appals—
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And cheers and stings alternately, and makes a fool of me.
Oh, courage that they said was mine (or have I lost you since?),
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